



LENT AND EASTER AT TRINITY

Wednesday Night Lenten Services

****Feb. 14th**

--Ash Wednesday Service
(preceded by Soup Supper at 6:00 PM)

****Midweek Lenten Services**

--each Wednesday at 7:00 PM during Lent

****Each Midweek Lenten Service is preceded by a Soup Supper at 6PM**

****The church will be open for one hour following each evening service for prayer/visits with Pastor**

Holy Week

Palm Sunday—Mar. 25th 10:30 AM
(with Palm Procession)

Easter Morning Celebrations—Apr. 1st

—Easter Sunrise Service 7:00 AM

—Easter Service 10:30 AM



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FROM PASTOR'S DESK

Dear friend of Trinity,

"O come, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God" (Gradual for Lent - Hebrews 12:2)

If you are reading this church newsletter article, you probably already know that you are invited to Lent here at Trinity Lutheran Church in Rupert. I hope and I am praying for each of you to take me up on at least part of the Lenten invitation this year.

But I'm also praying for many folks who may never even get a chance to hear this invitation, let alone read it here. What about our brothers and sisters in Christ who I haven't seen in more than a year? Perhaps you can help me extend this invitation also to them? What about our neighbors who do not have a church home, who might just be waiting for a friendly invitation? What about our neighbors who may go to churches or religious buildings which do not teach God's Word faithfully and who may be bound by false doctrine and unbiblical burdens and man-centered teachings which do not save?

I am praying for them also. I invite you to pray with me. Let us pray for strength to act on opportunities to extend this Christ-centered Gospel invitation also to them. I believe hearing the true Gospel, centered in Christ and His Word, is of utmost importance. Perhaps Lent may be just the opportunity we and our neighbors need to return to the Lord our God.

At least come back to Church on Sunday where God will refresh and strengthen you with His Means of Grace. (I understand that some may have to work on Sunday mornings - if this is you, please at least let me know about this conflict for you). This Lent the Sunday by Sunday focus will again be on Christ and his call to repentance and His gift of the forgiveness of sins and new life, looking forward to His innocent suffering, death, and resurrection, which we will observe and celebrate during Holy Week this year (March 25th - 31st).

Think about adding also Sunday morning Bible Class. During Lent we will be studying "5 Things You Can Do to Live a Jesus-Centered Life". There's a little book we will be reading and it will be encouraging us to simply receive God's gifts, read God's Word, Pray, and more!

Or think about adding also Wednesday Midweek Lenten Services, beginning with Ash Wednesday, this year on Valentine's Day. 7 pm each Wednesday, various Lutheran pastors from southern Idaho will be encouraging us to dust off and rediscover Luther's Small Catechism, getting back into the six parts of the Catechism, each of them faithful summaries of Christian doctrine.

Return to the Lord your God. Spread the invitation far and wide. All are invited to Lent.

in Jesus,

Bryan Lindemood
pastor

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FROM THE TRUMPS

"Greetings in Christ from Nairobi and happy new year! Today is a special day for our family – it is the 9th anniversary of our deployment to Africa as missionaries with The Lutheran church— Missouri Synod. Since we deployed, we've added 4 wonderful boys to our family, moved 4 times, gone from being the only LCMS career missionaries in a whole country to serving alongside eight LCMS career missionaries in our own city, and transitioned over the years from Shauen serving as a vicar teaching a single pre-seminary class for one church body to serving as the Area Director for all of Eastern and Southern Africa. You have walked with us in this journey in prayer, encouragement, and financial support. Thank you! We continue to relish the work you as the church have called and sent us to do and we treasure your partnership in the Gospel to do it. May our crucified and risen Christ continue to shower His grace upon all of you."



LWML SPRING EVENT

All women are invited to the LWML spring event. It will be hosted by the LWML of Trinity. The cost is \$3 and there will be a mite donation. The date is March 3rd - Saturday and Registration is at 9:00 a.m. We will have a opening, a bible study, lunch and a servant event of tying some quilts. The in-gathering for Trinity will be Baby Items such as diapers, pull ups, wipes, lotion, bottles, shampoo, diaper ointment, and blankets. This is for the Valley House Homeless Shelter and the manager will be our guest speaker. We will have coffee, fruit and muffins at registration and a light lunch. It will probably last till 2:00 p.m.

MCEA POTATO BAR A SUCCESS

The Minidoka Christian Education Association held their annual Potato Bar Fundraiser on Sunday, January 28th. The MCEA was blessed by donations of every kind. More than four hundred potatoes were donated by Grant and Hagen Farms of Hazelton, Idaho. The ingredients and toppings were donated by MCEA member churches, and all of those tasty goodies, desserts, and freewill offer-

ings were given by members of local churches. Many hands made light work setting up, scrubbing potatoes, and cleaning up after the event. If you donated materials, time or money, the MCEA would like to thank you from the bottom of their hearts. A total of \$5,979 was donated at the Potato Bar. Thank you!

COMING UP AT CAMP PERKINS

Greetings from Camp Perkins!

Happy New Year! (a little late!) We pray that your time with family and friends was a blessing to you and that the gifts and blessings of our Lord and Savior have given were celebrated. God has continued to bless Camp Perkins with you... our camp community and family. Thank you for all you do!

Winter is Here (Finally)!

Winter Equipment Challenge Match - Turn \$1 donation into \$2 - A challenge match donation of \$7500 has been issued by donors for new truck and rotary blower. In 2017, the USFS opened up the opportunity for us to use the first 250 yds of Alturas Lake Road for our winter parking! An incredible blessing for future winter events that continue the work of the Lord all winter! However, we must clear the space ourselves. A 3/4 ton truck and rotary blower are necessary for this work since we can get upwards of 6ft of snow and frequent subzero temps. The cost is \$30,000. Help get us there through this challenge match!

Winter Retreats (Bulletin Insert and Flyers Provided) - Please pray for those coming to camp to be served and to encounter their Savior! This winter we have lots of opportunities to enjoy the camp community as well. More information and registration can be found on our website.

- Feb 9-11/12 - Women's Craft Retreat
- Feb 16-18/19 - Family Flurry (only 1 room left in the Retreat Center)
- Feb 23-25 - Men's Weekend: Speaker: Rev. Lutz, Xrossway Ministries
- March 2-4 - Sr High Snowfest

Other Information:

-2018 summer Registration is open and people can get the Budget Buddy Discount through March 15 (which is \$35 off the full price!).

-Thrivent Action Teams - this is an incredible way to support the ministry of Camp Perkins. If you are a Thrivent member and have action team opportunities available, please contact Signe White (Signe@campperkins.org) to get signed up for a Thrivent Action Team.

--Camp Perkins Smile.Amazon.com and Wishlist ...support the ministry year-round! After a busy summer season, Camp Perkins is in "recovery" mode! Time to replace some of the well-loved (or at least needed) items! Be a part of the recovery process through our Amazon Wishlist...<http://amzn.com/w/20F506YJV4PDO>. Log in through smile.amazon.com and a portion of any purchase will be donated to Camp Perkins!

Thank you for all you continue to do for the ministry!

Signe White
Executive Director

LENTEN MIDWEEK SERIES

Taking On Something for Lent:

Luther's Catechisms: Using Luther's Catechisms for Lent

The concept for this year's midweek Lenten series was inspired by the Book of Concord:

Such matters also concern the laity and the salvation of their souls. Therefore we also confess Dr. Luther's Small and Large Catechisms as they are included in Luther's works. They are "the layman's Bible" because everything necessary for a Christian to know for salvation is included in them, which is handled more extensively in the Holy Scriptures. ^(FC Ep 15)

As part of our Lenten emphasis on Luther's catechisms, you may wish to make the catechism a part of your daily Lenten routine. Each of the Six Chief Parts of Christian Doctrine could be read through each week in Lent, and the Large Catechism could be read once in its entirety during the Lenten season. Use the following as your guide:

Spiritual Growth in Lent: Many people choose to give up something for Lent. Instead, you may want to take on something for your Lenten discipline. You may want to read the Six Chief Parts of Christian Doctrine from Luther's Small Catechism each day according to the following schedule:

Monday—The Ten Commandments

Tuesday—The Apostles' Creed

Wednesday—The Lord's Prayer

Thursday—The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Friday—Confession

Saturday—The Sacrament of the Altar

Sunday—Daily Prayers, Table of Duties, or

Christian Questions with Their Answers

The Small Catechism is found on page 321 in *Lutheran Service Book*. You may also choose to read Luther's Large Catechism during Lent, focusing on one chief part each week. If you choose to read through the Large Catechism, there is an interesting note about the Exhortation to Confession. The Large Catechism, first published in 1529, did not originally contain this exhortation, but before 1529 ended, a revised edition came out that did include it. Nevertheless, the original 1580 German and 1584 Latin editions of the Book of Concord do not include the Exhortation to Confession. So if you have *Concordia: Book of Concord*, you will find the exhortation instead in Appendix B.

More resources available on the Concordia Publishing House website:

Luther's Small Catechism with Explanation - 2017 Edition—\$14.49

<https://www.cph.org/p-32272-luthers-small-catechism-with-explanation-2017-edition.aspx>

Luther's Small Catechism Pamphlet - 1986 Edition—\$2.99

<https://www.cph.org/p-1749-luthers-small-catechism-pamphlet-1986-edition.aspx>

Luther's Large Catechism with Study Questions—\$11.99

<https://www.cph.org/p-17539-luthers-large-catechism-with-study-questions.aspx>

Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions-A Readers Edition of the Book of Concord - 2nd edition—\$34.99

<https://www.cph.org/p-11428-concordia-the-lutheran-confessions-a-readers-edition-of-the-book-of-concord-2nd-edition.aspx>

5 Things You Can Do to Live a Jesus-Centered Life—\$7.99

<https://www.cph.org/p-22432-5-things-you-can-do-to-live-a-jesus-centered-life.aspx>

YOUTH LUNCHEON

There will be a Youth Luncheon on Sunday, February 4th following the worship service. The youth will serve enchiladas, green salad, and dessert. Please join us!

Youth Reminder: Meal prep is at 5PM on Feb. 10th. Please bring your ingredient/dish/dessert. Sign up sheets are in the Youth Room, in case you need to review the ingredients/recipe.

BETHESDA

It is time to renew memberships for the Bethesda Auxiliary (formerly Good Shepherd). Cost of membership is a donation of \$10 or more. New members are always welcome and everyone is invited to join. See Sandy Stoller or Verna Turley to join or renew. Make checks payable to Bethesda Auxiliary.

YOU'RE INVITED!

You are cordially invited to join Redeemer Lutheran Church in Kimberly as they celebrate the ordination and installation of their Pastor, Joshua Wiley, on Saturday, February 10th at 4:00 p.m.

